



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

"To Enrich Lives Through Effective and Caring Service"

900 SOUTH FREMONT AVENUE
ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA 91803-1331
Telephone: (626) 458-5100
<http://dpw.lacounty.gov>

GAIL FARBER, Director

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:
P.O. BOX 1460
ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA 91802-1460

May 11, 2010

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#44 MAY 11, 2010

Sachi A. Hamai
SACHI A. HAMAI
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**SUPPLEMENT CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENTS
AS-NEEDED CONSTRUCTION AND WELDING INSPECTION, RESIDENT ENGINEER,
ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE MANAGER, AND
CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULER SERVICES
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve seven supplemental Consultant Services Agreements to provide as-needed construction and welding inspection, resident engineer, environmental compliance manager, and construction scheduler services on an as-needed basis in support of various road, flood control, landscaping, bridge, water, sewer, and aviation construction contracts throughout the County of Los Angeles.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute supplemental agreements to the following consultant services contracts for the amounts shown to be financed by various funds for public works construction projects:

1. Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to sign a supplemental agreement to Contract No. PW13225 with Career Base for as-needed welding inspection services by \$400,000 increasing the maximum, not-to-exceed contract amount to \$500,000.
2. Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to sign a supplemental agreement to Contract No. PW13223 with Freeman Alternative Resources for as-needed construction inspection services by \$1,800,000 increasing the maximum, not-to-exceed contract

amount to \$2,900,000.

3. Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to sign a supplemental agreement to Contract No. PW13231 with Kal Krishnan Consulting for as-needed resident engineer, environmental compliance manager, and construction scheduler services by \$400,000 increasing the maximum, not-to-exceed contract amount to \$2,350,000.
4. Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to sign a supplemental agreement to Contract No. PW13220 with Psomas for as-needed construction and welding and resident engineer, environmental compliance manager, and construction scheduler services by \$700,000 increasing the maximum, not-to-exceed contract amount to \$4,000,000.
5. Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to sign a supplemental agreement to Contract No. PW13222 with TCM Group for construction and as-needed welding inspection and resident engineer services by \$1,600,000 increasing the maximum, not-to-exceed contract amount to \$5,100,000.
6. Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to sign a supplemental agreement to Contract No. PW13221 with The G Crew for as-needed construction and welding inspection services by \$1,700,000 increasing the maximum, not-to-exceed contract amount to \$2,975,000.
7. Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to sign a supplemental agreement to Contract No. PW13224 with Willdan Associates for as-needed construction inspection by \$400,000 increasing the maximum, not-to-exceed contract amount to \$1,200,000.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to approve and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to sign supplemental agreements with various consultants for as-needed construction and welding inspection, resident engineer, environmental compliance manager, and construction scheduler services due to the large number of projects currently under construction and those anticipated to be under construction by the Department of Public Works (Public Works). These services are used to augment staff and expertise in support of various public works construction projects located throughout the County of Los Angeles (County). Public Works currently has a large number of projects under construction funded by Federal and State funds including the projects funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Additional work is anticipated to be funded by a second Federal stimulus act during the coming months.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended actions will help meet these goals by providing for services facilitating the delivery of various Public Works construction projects.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The supplemental agreements, adding an additional \$7 million of contracting capacity to existing contracts, will be funded by various funds for public works construction under the purview of Public Works including Road, Flood Control District, Waterworks Districts, Sewer Maintenance, Street Lighting Districts, Aviation, Proposition C Local Return, and General funds approved for use on capital projects infrastructure.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Consultant Services Agreements and scope of work contain provisions requiring each consultant to comply with the terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs including, but not limited to: the County Board of Supervisors' (Board) Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; and the standard Board directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The Consultant Services Agreements and their scope of work contain provisions requiring the consultant to report solicitations of improper consideration by County employees and allowing the County to terminate the Consultant Services Agreement if it is found that the consultant offered or gave improper consideration to County employees.

A standard Consultant Services Agreement, previously approved as to form by County Counsel, will be used. The standard Board-directed clauses that provide for agreement termination, renegotiation, and hiring qualified displaced County employees will be included. The Consultant Services Agreements include a cost-of-living adjustment provision in accordance with your Board policy, which was approved on January 29, 2002.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The recommended actions do not constitute a discretionary approval of any project and are therefore exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On April 1, 2008, Public Works issued a Request for Proposals to 55 consulting firms to provide as-needed construction and welding inspection, resident engineer, environmental compliance manager, and construction scheduler services. Ten firms submitted proposals for construction inspection, six for resident engineer, six for environmental compliance manager, five for welding inspection, and eight for construction scheduler services. An evaluation committee, one for each service, comprised of Public Works staff evaluated the proposals received. The evaluation of the firms was based on technical expertise, proposed work plan, experience, personnel qualifications, and understanding the work requirements. These evaluations were completed without regard to race, creed, color, or gender. Based on the review and evaluation of the proposals, the evaluation committees

recommended 11 firms to perform the various services. This request adds funding capacity to seven of the original 11 contracts.

On November 18, 2008, Agenda No. 39, your Board awarded 11 contracts totaling \$15 million for as-needed construction and welding inspection, resident engineer, environmental compliance manager, and construction scheduler services for a period of three years. The recommended supplemental agreements will increase the total amount of the 11 as-needed contracts from \$15 million to \$22 million; however, the initial three year terms of the contracts are not being extended . A new procurement process will be initiated shortly to obtain needed services beyond the term of these contracts.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will allow Public Works to facilitate delivery of the construction of various public works construction projects previously approved and those anticipated to be brought to your Board for approval in the next two years.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER
Director

GF:JTS:sc

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance